

# BFI Flyer

News from King County International Airport (KCIA)/Boeing Field (BFI)

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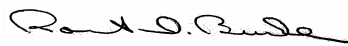
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## Highlights from the Director

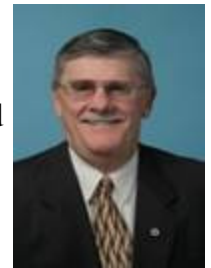
The King County International Airport is proud to publish its first issue of BFI Flyer, created as a means of keeping tenants, pilots and communities up to date on current airport projects, events and programs. The newsletter will be produced on a bimonthly basis by the KCIA Community Relations department.

Available to you in both electronic and paper format, newsletter articles will cover a broad range of airport news ranging from community relations to maintenance and operations. The newsletter will be distributed via e-mail, web site, and/or postal mail.

Enjoy the newsletter. Send us your comments and suggestions and please share any airport related news with us. Also watch for details about the successful completion of the Runway Rehabilitation Project in the September Issue. Above all, let's stay in touch as this will be one of the busiest summers KCIA has seen.



Robert I. Burke, AAE  
Airport Director  
King County International Airport/Boeing Field



## Runway Rehabilitation Project

See our Website for up-to-date Runway Rehabilitation Schedule and Information:

[www.metrokc.gov/airport](http://www.metrokc.gov/airport)

Runway 13R-31L is over twenty years old and is due for a major rehabilitation. The Runway Rehabilitation Project will begin on August 8, 2006. By the end of the project, Runway 13R-31L and its connecting taxiway intersections will be resurfaced. Additionally, a perimeter drainage system will be installed, as well as new edge lights and cabling for the runway. There will also be

pavement grooving and runway painting performed during the project. Lastly Elevated Runway Guard lights will be installed at selected taxiway hold lines. The completion of this project is vital to the operation of the airport and we are excited to get started. For more information on this project please visit our Website at [www.metrokc.gov/airport/](http://www.metrokc.gov/airport/).

## Security Issues

The KCIA Police and Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighters Unit would like to remind tenants to be vigilant when it comes to reporting unusual or suspicious activities on the airport. Over the past four months there have been several business burglaries at night. In each case the businesses which have been targeted have not been alarmed. While it is unknown if they are related it appears there are similarities in method of en-

try, time, and items taken.

As a reminder, some of the simple ways to protect your property are:

- Close all windows and doors when leaving.
- Light the lot to your businesses well.
- Do not leave valuables in any vehicle.
- Consider a quality alarm system.
- Consider quality digital video surveillance.
- Park in well lighted locations.

**Remember you can always call 911 or reach us at 206-296-7392 if you see suspicious activity.**

Jim Noss, Sergeant  
KCIA Police and Aircraft Rescue

## VIP Visits

Boeing Field just hosted two VIP arrivals: One for Mexican President Vincente Fox who arrived on May 24th and the second for President George Bush who arrived on June 16th. Both visits presented unique challenges for the airport and its tenants and we would like to thank the Airport staff and tenants for making both

visits a great success. These visits allowed Boeing Field (BFI) a wonderful spotlight in international media coverage.

Boeing Field was picked for both of these visits due to its infrastructure and facilities as well as for its close proximity to downtown Seattle. We truly are the Gateway to the World.

## New Employee Arrivals

A warm welcome goes out to our new temps, Gerald Aikens, Douglas Botello, Gilbert Dizon, Ray Harris, David Lane, Jesse Lopez, and Travis McWhirt. They will be with us for the summer and will be helping with the Runway Rehabilitation Project. We would also like to welcome Dave Decoteau who joined the Operations

section in June and will be helping with the runway rehabilitation project. Lastly we would like to welcome Delfina Wisniewska, our new summer intern who arrived to us from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in May and is here to learn about how KCIA runs and operates day-to-day.

## Our Deepest Condolences

*James Russell Gannett*  
**1923-2006**

*Mr. Gannett was a member of the Pilots Resource Working Group, was a test pilot for The Boeing Company and loved aviation.*

*Josh Dierks*  
**1979-2006**

*Mr. Dierks is known by many at Boeing Field as he worked for Wings Aloft and Airpac. A Memorial Fund has been set up to help his family at the Bank Of America. Make donations to the Josh Dierks Memorial Fund*



President Vincente Fox and his wife arriving at Boeing Field accompanied by Governor Christine Gregoire.



President Bush and US Representative Reichert stepping out of Air Force One at KCIA on June 16th.

## Airport Attaboys

### Maintenance

Patricia Tonsgard KCIA's Airside Supervisor was invited by the FAA to attend the Airfield Marking Best Practices National Roundtable in Kansas City, Missouri on June 15, 2006. She was invited to this roundtable because of her excellent work with the KCIA runway paint marking. Because of the great teamwork BFI is now considered a leader for runway marking in the United States.

### Special Operations Unit

The KC Sheriff Special Operations Unit, located at KCIA, just retired one of its most loyal employees. Quincy, a 9 1/2 year old Lab, served on the unit for 7 years. His work included dignitary protection details for former Presidents Clinton and Carter, as well as Al Gore and President Bush. He has worked in many states and his finds include pipe bombs. Quincy retired in May and is now enjoying sleeping in.



## Congratulations!!!

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## Tie Down and Hanger Availability

There are 210 tie-down spaces located on the airfield at . The airport manages and maintains 116 of the spaces with the remainder leased to various FBO's. Currently there are only 3 tie-down vacancies available for rent. The monthly rental fee, which includes leasehold excise tax of

12.84% is \$90.27. First month, last month and a security deposit are required to move in.


KCIA also manages and rents 80 individual hangars. The hangars vary in size from small t-hangars with 1,259 sf up to large corporate hangars with 3,510 sf. There are currently no KCIA hangar vacancies

and the wait list is now approximately 6 to 10 years.

For more information please contact Karol Elwood in Airport Operations at (206) 205-0683

## Total Operations Statistics

Type of Operation	May-05	May-06	% Change	YTD 2005	YTD 2006	% Change
<b>Total Air Taxi and Air Commercial Flights</b>	5,974	5,928	-1%	33,661	31,942	-5%
<b>Total General Aviation Operations</b>	19,869	21,518	8%	121,828	114,435	-6%
<b>Total Military Operations</b>	142	303	113%	900	2,268	152%
<b>Total Itinerant</b>	18,059	19,059	6%	48,572	46,488	-4%
<b>Total Local Flights</b>	7,926	9,690	22%	101,092	99,943	-1%
<b>Total Tower Operations</b>	<b>25,985</b>	<b>28,749</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>149,664</b>	<b>146,431</b>	<b>-2%</b>

  
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### **Important Dates**

- **Blue Angels & Seafair**  
August 2nd to August 6th
- **Runway Rehabilitation  
Project begins**  
Tuesday August 8th
- The Round Table will not  
be meeting in August.
- **Volunteer Excellence  
Award nominees due**  
September 1, 2006